

Representing the Mental Health Client with a Complexity of Issues

Friday, June 4, 2004

8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

MCLE Conference Center, 10 Winter Place, Boston

8:00 **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST**

8:30 **WELCOME**

8:45 **“WORKING WITH PERSONS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS: A REWARDING AND ENRICHING EXPERIENCE FOR LAWYERS AND CONSUMERS ALIKE”**

Marylou Sudders, M.S.W.

President and CEO, Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children

9:15 **INTRODUCTION TO PERSONALITY DISORDERS
BORDERLINE PERSONALITY DISORDER, CO-EXISTING PSYCHIATRIC ILLNESS,
AND ASSESSMENT OF SUICIDE RISK**

Rebecca A. Dulit, M.D.

Private Practice, Scarsdale, N.Y. Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Weill Medical College of Cornell University

11:00 **ANTI-SOCIAL PERSONALITY DISORDER, VIOLENCE AND MENTAL ILLNESS, AND
ASSESSMENT OF RISK OF DANGEROUSNESS**

James C. Beck, M.D., Ph.D.

Acting Chair, Massachusetts Mental Health Center. Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School

12:30 **LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)**

1:30 **CONDUCT DISORDERS: DEVELOPMENTAL AND CONTEXTUAL ASPECTS**

Enrico Mezzacappa M.D.

Associate in Psychiatry, Children's Hospital Boston. Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School

2:30 **EATING DISORDERS: CO-MORBIDITY AND TREATMENT**

David B. Herzog, M.D.

President and Founder, Harvard Eating Disorders Center, Massachusetts General Hospital. Professor of Psychiatry (Pediatrics), Harvard Medical School

3:30 **DUAL DIAGNOSIS: SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL ILLNESS**

Mark J. Albanese, M.D.

Medical Director, Addictions, Cambridge Health Alliance. Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School

4:15 **MENTAL RETARDATION, DEVELOPMENTAL DELAY AND MENTAL ILLNESS**

Richard E. Keelan, B.S.

Systems Advocate and Psychological Assistant II, North Worcester Psychological Consultants

The MENTAL HEALTH LEGAL ADVISORS COMMITTEE presents:
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Registration Form --- deadline Friday, May 21, 2004

Name _____ BBO # _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Cases you accept: CPCS Mental Health _____ CPCS CAFL _____ Private _____

Counties you serve _____

Please mail this form together with your check for \$100 (payable to MHLAC). Thank you.

CREDIT: This course is approved for eight (8) credits towards both CPCS continuing MHL and CAFL certification.

FEE: \$100 if registered before May 21, 2004. A late fee of \$20 will be charged to persons registering after May 21, 2004.

TO REGISTER: Mail the Registration Form by May 21, 2004 with a check for \$100 (payable to MHLAC) to: MENTAL HEALTH LEGAL ADVISORS COMMITTEE, Conference Registration, 294 Washington Street, Suite 320, Boston, MA 02108. Space is limited. Registration confirmation will be sent if registered before May 28, 2004.

DIRECTIONS: Public transportation is strongly recommended. MCLE is conveniently located across the street from the Park Street stop on the Red and Green Lines of the MBTA. Commuter Rail lines from the west and south and buses also arrive into South Station, which is an easy walk to MCLE. There is parking available under the Boston Common.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Kate Dulit, Attorney, MENTAL HEALTH LEGAL ADVISORS COMMITTEE at (617) 338-2345 x30 or kate.dulit@state.ma.us. You can also visit our website at www.mass.gov/mhlac.

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The MENTAL HEALTH LEGAL ADVISORS COMMITTEE presents an all-day seminar on many of the complex medical and behavioral issues that are often present in combination with mental illness in the mental health client. This seminar will focus on the symptoms and treatment of **personality disorders** in adults, **conduct disorder** and **eating disorders** in adolescents as well as **substance abuse** and **mental retardation** as they coincide with mental health problems. The goal of this seminar is to study the interaction of intersecting diagnoses and issues in a mental health client to improve legal representation and advocacy on their behalf.